

**WAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP MINUTES
22295 FROSTVIEW ROAD COLD SPRING MINNESOTA
CONTINUED REGULAR BOARD MEETING JANUARY 8, 2019 8:00PM
FROM JANUARY 3, 2019 8:00PM**

Chairman Shawn Garding called the Town Board Meeting to order at 8:00 pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members Present: Supervisors Shawn Garding, Cyril Erkens and John Willenbring and Clerk Heidi Stalboerger. Others Present: Bob Mueller, Wayne Kron and Steve Prom

COLD SPRING SOFTBALL PARK

Bob Mueller was present representing the Cold Spring Softball Association. Wayne Kron and Steve Prom were present representing the Cold Spring Area Youth Sports Association (CSAYSA). CSAYSA handles ages K-16. They organize Baseball, Basketball, Softball and may add Volleyball in the near future. They have been seeking parks in the area (ROCORI) to schedule games and practices. The CSAYSA is a 501c(3) organization and holds insurance for it's members. CSAYSA generates revenue primarily through league fees and sponsorship as well as concessions. CSAYSA wishes to take over maintenance of the Cold Spring Softball Park (PID: 36.23773.0000 (South portion) and 36.23797.0008). Bob Mueller and the Cold Spring Softball Association has been handling maintenance since the 1980's and is willing to help the CSAYSA to get started and organized. The two groups agree that implementation of additional lighting would be a goal for the park. The group reviewed the past expensed of the Cold Spring Softball Association regarding use and maintenance of the park. The CSAYSA would like a lease agreement from the township to show that the township would allow the organization use of the park as well as maintenance. CSAYSA would like to know if the township would be willing to enter into a lease agreement with them and if the township would charge for the use of the park. CSAYSA is primarily looking for stability. The Board members unanimously agreed that the township would not charge CSAYSA for use of the park. The township discussed Parks Funds dedicated to the township for use of park improvements. The township would have to request the use of funds through the Stearns County Park Board when and if a project would be eligible. Stalboerger reviewed the parcels in the park area and how they are linked together or how they could be separated regarding involvement in the lease agreement. Stalboerger will contact MATIT to ensure that the township insurance coverage is adequate. The Board directed Stalboerger to contact Township Attorney Bob Ruppe to begin writing a lease agreement at the expense of the township. The CSAYSA will look into eligibility of obtaining a liquor license and work with Bob Mueller to present the paperwork to the township at the appropriate time.

CLERK UPDATE

-Spring Clean Up – TKI will be hosting a Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday, May 4, 2019. They are seeking sponsorship for the event. Stalboerger will check if grant funding/reimbursement for sponsorship is available.

MOTION BY ERKENS SECONDED BY WILLENBRING TO SPONSOR THE TKI SPRING CLEAN UP DAY EVENT ON SATURDAY MAY 4, 2019 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

-Stalboerger gave an update of a meeting with Nielson for road projects in 2019. More information will be forthcoming from WSB, Inc.

-Stalboerger requested to work with Larry Lahr on a budget process. Lahr estimated the project to take 20 hours. Lahr's rate is \$50 per hour. The Board unanimously agreed to have Stalboerger and Lahr begin working on the budget immediately.

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*MOTION BY WILLENBRING SECONDED BY ERKENS TO ADJOUR THE MEETING AT 10:01 PM.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0.*

Date Approved: February 7, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

WAKEFIELD TOWNSHIP

Heidi M. Stalboerger, Clerk